

FEB 1952 51-4AA

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

CLASSIFICATION SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY  
SECURITY INFORMATION

## INFORMATION REPORT

25X1

CD NO.

COUNTRY East Germany

DATE DISTR. 23 October 1952

SUBJECT Engineering Program for 1953

NO. OF PAGES 2

DATE OF INFO. 25X1

NO. OF ENCLS.  
(LISTED BELOW)

PLACE ACQUIRED 25X1

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. 25X1

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 AND 794, OF THE U.S. CODE, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO OR RECEIPT BY AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROHIBITED.

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

25X1

25X1

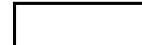
1. A meeting took place in the offices of the State Planning Commission on [redacted] under the chairmanship of State Secretary, Paul Strassenberger to discuss the plans for the 1953 engineering program. The Minister for Machine Construction, Gerhard Ziller, the head of the State Administration for Material Procurement, Alfred Binz, and the heads of the appropriate departments of the Ministry and of the Planning Commission were present.
2. At this meeting it was announced that the total quantity of rolled steel of all kinds (including imports) available for use by the Ministry of Machine Construction in 1953 would be 680,000 tons. This would include 292,000 tons of steel plate (of which 115,000 tons would be quality boiler plate and 85,000 tons coarse boiler plate), an amount not sufficient to cover the program put forward by the Minister. This would necessitate reductions and after discussion it was decided that these would have to take place in the following:
  - a. Machine tool manufacture
  - b. Motor vehicle construction (the figure of 5,000 trucks was suggested)
  - c. Shipbuilding
  - d. Freight cars (a reduction of 800 RR cars was proposed)
  - e. Building machinery
  - f. Chemical plants
  - g. Food and provision machinery.

CLASSIFICATION SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY

25X1

STATE	X	NAVY	X	NSRB		DISTRIBUTION														
ARMY	X	AIR	X	FBI																

SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY



- 2 -



On the other hand it was emphasized that the programs for:

h. Boiler construction

i. Mining equipment

were in no way to be cut and that it might be necessary to increase them.

3. An expenditure of 200,000,000 DM on the Ludwigsfelde plant was agreed to.

1.  Comment. In spite of the down-scaling of parts of the engineering program for 1953, it appears to be considerably larger than that of 1952 in which the original allotment of rolled steel was 487,000 tons. 

25X1

SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY